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1. Dr. Straka, formerly associated with the detonator factory in Brno and now head of the Prague group with which the Brno plant has been amalgamated, is probably Czechoslovakia's leading authority on primers and detonators.

2. Dr. Straka believes the Russians are several years ahead of other countries in the field of internal and external ballistics. Dr. Straka also regards the Russian treatises on ballistics recently published in Czechoslovakia as of much importance.

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